

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: A DEVICE FOR INHIBITING USE OF  
NON-PROPRIETARY CONSUMABLES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following sentence on line 1, immediately following the title:

- This is a nationalization of PCT/IB00/01149, filed August

a 28, 2000, and published in English.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel amended claims 1-15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new claims 16-27 as found on the following three pages.